

Towards a Shared Programme between  
European Countries and the European Union?

# Slovenia

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# Legal Framework

- Public Use of the Slovene Language Act (2004)
  - article 28
  - national programme on language policy (5 years)
  - determine: financing and tasks
- Resolution on the National Programme for Language Policy 2007-2011
  - Ministry of Culture: 364.109 EUR
  - Government Office for European Affairs: 32.400 EUR
    - (EXTRA: Communication in Slovene, 3,2 M EUR, Ministry of Education)
- Resolution on the National Programme for Language Policy 2014-2018

# Resolution on the National Programme for Language Policy 2014-2018

- Action Plan for Language Education
- Action Plan for Language Infrastructure (November 2015)
- Financing bodies:
  - Ministry of Education, Science and Sports
  - Ministry of Culture
  - Slovenian Research Agency (under Ministry of Education)
  - Slovenian Academy of Sciences and Arts (financed by Government)
- Interministerial body: 7 representatives of ministries, 2 government offices, 2 agencies ==> produces a yearly report

# Yearly report (2015)

- Realised:
  - Speech synthesis for screen readers for Slovene
    - 219.000 EUR
    - LT company consortium: <http://ebralec.si/?jezik=en&>
  - CLARIN
    - 42.000 EUR
    - part of research infrastructure at "Jožef Stefan" Institute
- Announced:
  - "Promotion of flexible and innovative learning techniques with the development of language resources and technologies"
    - start in 2016, duration 2016-2021
    - up to 2.000.000 EUR, 250.000 in 2016

# Lessons

- Detailed action plans help: easier to track funding activity and general policy, raise awareness in various government bodies
- Action plans don't help --> if produced by bodies without power to allocate funds (and in unstable political environment)
  - Structural & Investment Funds (no direct LRT topic)
  - Smart Specialisation Strategy (no direct LRT topic)
- Expected:
  - Target research project (Research Agency + Ministry of Culture: 2016-2017 - preparation of the new resolution 2019-2023)
  - CLARIN (Ministry of Education, Science and Sports + Research Agency)